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Dear Mr. Musgrave:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated August 16, 2012, received in the Forest Service Washington Office (WO) FOIA Service Center on August 20, 2012. Your FOIA request has been assigned case number 12-2227-R. Please use the assigned case number when contacting the WO FOIA Service Center for information pertaining to your FOIA request to help us assist you in a timely manner.

In an email dated August 31, 2012, addressed to you; our office requested additional information that is required in order to conduct a thorough search for the responsive documents for your FOIA request. In addition, you were informed that the Forest Service has only been involved in a Research and Development capacity pertaining to "drones, UAs, UAVs, and UASs" since 2006 and it is not operational at this time.

Under the Departments' regulations (7 CFR 1.3), the requester must describe the records in sufficient detail to enable an employee familiar with the subject area of the request to locate them with a reasonable amount of effort. Your request does not meet this requirement. We will need to know a timeframe for which you would like our Program offices to search for the requested documentation. We will not proceed further with your request until we receive additional clarification from you. If a response is not received in our office by September 28, 2012, your request will be closed without further action.

Sincerely,


J. MONA JONES
Acting Assistant Director



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